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In response to the election of species requirement in the Office Action of November 22, 2005, the time for reply extending to and including December 22, 2005, Applicants elect the species identified by the Examiner as Species I, which was defined by the Office Action as corresponding to Figures 6-10 and 16.

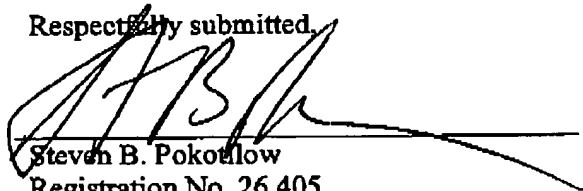
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Favorable consideration and prompt allowance of this application are respectfully requested. In the event that there are any questions, or should additional information be required, please contact Applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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